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10. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Talked to Mr. J.R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, several times during the day concerning Committee plans and schedule of hearings and briefings. In response to his request, I advised that the Director's schedule for the coming week is almost complete with only Thursday morning available. Friday morning could be scheduled by rearranging of present commitments. Mr. Blandford stated the Chairman's appreciation for this advice but emphasized that there are no hearings scheduled for next week. This guidance was requested in the event that the Committee program starts firming up. A present information schedule of the Committee does not contemplate the beginning of hearings until after the Lincoln Day Recess.

11. (Unclassified - JGO) I contacted various members of the House leadership, Committee chairmen, Agency Committee members and friends of Mr. Allen Dulles on Capitol Hill during the morning and advised them of Mr. Dulles' death. The response by the various members in the House evidenced the high esteem held for Mr. Dulles.

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12. (Secret - GLC) Mr. Clem Palazola, of the Atomic Energy Commission, called to advise us that he had been in touch with [redacted] of our CI Staff, on the case of [redacted] in response to a query on this case from George Murphy, on the staff of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Palazola was merely alerting us to this in the event we should be contacted by Murphy on the case. I took this opportunity to inform Palazola of Murphy's request to us on [redacted]

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13. (Unclassified - GLC) Advised the offices of the Senate leadership, appropriate CIA members, and friends of Allen Dulles' on the Hill of Mr. Dulles' death and the arrangements which have been made for funeral services.

14. (Secret - GLC) Accompanied [redacted] of OCI, to a briefing of William Spell, Staff Assistant to Senator John Stennis (D., Miss.). The subject of the briefing was the Middle East. This was done in response to Spell's earlier request. The briefing session lasted for two hours and was very warmly received by Spell. [redacted] offered to provide Mr. Spell with some unclassified information on the Middle East countries which might be useful to him. He also advised him that there are several classified studies now in preparation which we could make available to him in the near future.

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1. (Secret - JMM) Called George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, to clarify plans for the upcoming (but as yet unscheduled) briefing of the Joint Committee. Murphy recommended a general review of Soviet and ChiCom nuclear weapons programs and delivery capabilities, mention of the Soviet ABM system, status of the [redacted] programs, recent NATO security cases as they might affect U.S. atomic information and anything else the Director might feel pertinent. He said the Director might get questions regarding the overall strategic balance between the U.S. and the USSR regarding nuclear capabilities. Dr. Chamberlain, D/SI, Bruce Clarke, D/SR, and [redacted] OCI, have been alerted to start preparing the material.

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2. (Confidential - JMM) Senator Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) called to say he would like to take us up on the Director's invitation for a briefing at the Agency preparatory to his upcoming trip to Europe and the Middle East. He said he would prefer a working lunch probably on Tuesday, 4 February and would like to bring Mr. Arthur Kuhl, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff. The Senator said he fully understood how busy the Director was and would not want to interrupt his schedule but would like to hear from a couple of Agency specialists regarding current figures on Soviet bomber production and the Middle East situation. Recalling our lunch in Greece a year ago, he said he would like to talk with me about current conditions in Greece.

Mr. Bruce Clarke, D/SR, has been informed and has designated [redacted] to handle the Soviet bomber and other military matters, and [redacted] OCI, has been alerted to cover the Middle East situation.

3. (Internal Use Only - CEA) Obtained confirmation to attend the 4 February breakfast briefing from the following Congressmen: Glenn M. Anderson (D., Calif.), William V. Chappell (D., Fla.), and Patrick T. Caffery (D., La.). I was advised that Lawrence J. Hogan (R., Md.) and Manuel Lujan, Jr., (R., N. Mex.) will be unable to attend.

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